

The Democrat.

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CAPE GIRARDEAU, MISSOURI.

The joint note to China was signed by the foreign ministers in Peking on the 22d, and was transmitted to the Chinese envoys on the 24th.

Marshall Nelson, the famous scout of the late Gen. Lawton, has been summoned by Gen. Wood to Cuba for services under secret instructions.

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A dispatch to the London Daily Express from Vienna reports recent Moslem excesses against the Christian population in the central provinces of Turkey, in which two Christians have been killed.

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Prof. Carl Becker, the German historical painter, whose eightieth birthday anniversary was celebrated on the 18th, and who was then the recipient of a congratulatory address from the Berlin academy of arts, died, on the 20th, of influenza.

It is reported in Wichita, Kas., that Frank Rockefeller is negotiating for the purchase of 140,000 acres of land in Kiowa and Clark counties with a view to stocking it with horses and high grade cattle, sheep and hogs, especially horses, for which he sees a profitable future.

Vere Foster, who had been engaged for 50 years in assisting the emigration of nearly twenty thousand young women from the congested districts of the west of Ireland, and in the building or furnishing of over twenty-two hundred national schools in every part of Ireland, died in Belfast, on the 21st.

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J. G. Stowe, consul general of the United States to South Africa, with headquarters at Cape Town, arrived at New York, on his vacation, on the new Red Star liner Vaderland on the 20th. He had not been in America for three years. He left for Kansas City, Mo., on the 21st, to spend Christmas with his family.

The British secretary of state for war, Mr. St. John Broderick, announced, on the 21st, that, in view of the prolongation of the war in South Africa, members of the imperial yeomanry will be paid five shillings instead of one shilling and two pence per day. Militiamen are promised priority of return over regulars.

Capt. B. F. Horn, one of the oldest Missouri river steamboat men, died at his residence in Pierre, S. D., on the 20th. Capt. Horn made his first trip to the head of navigation on the Missouri in 1866, and has navigated the river continuously since then, with the exception of one year, when he served as a pilot on the Yukon river.

At the request of the secretary of war, the house committee on insular affairs, on the 18th, reported a bill increasing the salary of the commissioner of education of Porto Rico from \$3,000 to \$4,000. Prof. Brumbaugh relinquished a position paying \$5,000 a year, from a sense of public duty, to accept the Porto Rican commissionership.

William W. Thomas, Jr., United States minister to Sweden and Norway, on the night of the 19th, addressed the English society in Stockholm on "Scandinavian Colonization in America and its Influence on American Civilization." The address was well received, and a portrait of President McKinley, handsomely framed, was presented to Mr. Thomas.

Two newspaper reporters employed on the Omaha (Neb.) World-Herald, on the 21st, located the house in which the kidnapped youth Eddie Cudaby was held prisoner for more than a day. While exploring the premises with a lighted lamp they had a narrow escape from being shot by police officers who had just arrived upon the scene and mistook them for the child-robbers.

Dr. J. E. Tood, state geologist for South Dakota, has issued a warning to farmers on the possible exhaustion of the artesian water supply. He holds that the great basin underlying most of the state may be exhausted by wastefulness, and recommends smaller wells, checking the flow in winter and when not needed and restriction of the number of wells in stated areas by legislation.

NEWS IN BRIEF.

Compiled from Various Sources.

FIFTY-SIXTH CONGRESS.

(Second Session.)

In the senate, on the 18th, discussion of the Hay-Pauncefote treaty in secret session was continued, the executive session occupying almost the entire legislative day. As a consequence, no business of importance was transacted in open session. In the house, the day was devoted to District of Columbia business, the whole session being occupied with a bill to change the terminal facilities of the Pennsylvania railroad in the city of Washington, and to provide for the elevation of its tracks across the mall south of Pennsylvania avenue. The measure was stoutly resisted, but the friends of the bill succeeded in securing a recess instead of an adjournment, and thus continue the legislative day to the 19th, in order to complete consideration of the bill.

In the senate, on the 19th, house resolution authorizing the president to appoint Representative Charles A. Boutelle, of Maine, to be a captain in the United States navy on the retired list, was unanimously passed. Aside from the transaction of routine business and the passage of 71 private pension bills, no business of importance was done. In the house, after a spirited contest lasting throughout a two days' session, bills to compel the Pennsylvania and Baltimore & Ohio railroad companies to abolish grade crossings, to alter their routes into the city and to change terminal facilities were passed, an amendment adopted requiring the Pennsylvania Railroad Co. to build a new station to cost not less than \$1,500,000.

In the senate, on the 20th, a spirited debate was precipitated over the resolution of Mr. Chandler to discharge the committee on contingent expenses from further consideration of the resolution authorizing an investigation of the Montana senatorial case. No action was taken upon the resolution. In the house, the Indian and military academy appropriation bills were passed, the former carrying \$3,068,526 and the latter \$70,151. Neither provoked much discussion. A few minor amendments were placed upon the former.

In the senate, on the 21st, the death of Mrs. Wm. P. Frye, wife of the president pro tem, was officially announced, and without the transaction of any business, the senate, out of respect to her memory, adjourned. In the house, after a session of 25 minutes, during which the death of Representative Wise, of Virginia, was announced and the customary resolution passed, and committee appointed, with respect to his memory adjournment was taken, under the concurrent resolution previously adopted, until January 2, 1901.

PERSONAL AND GENERAL.

The Knechtel Co.'s plant at Hanover, Ont., the largest furniture factory in the Dominion of Canada, was destroyed by fire on the 20th. The fire spread to adjoining buildings, causing a total loss of between \$250,000 and \$300,000.

Recorder Goff, of New York, on the 21st, sentenced Henry Zeimer, one of the heads of a fraudulent divorce bureau, to ten years in the state's prison, and James Holden, alias Frank Wilson, a professional co-respondent, to three years in state's prison.

Senator Hanna, chairman of the Republican National committee, on the 21st, announced the appointment of Gen. Francis Vinton Greene, of New York, to be chief marshal of the inaugural parade, March 4 next.

The London Daily Mail has advised that virtually all the districts of Cape Colony in the vicinity of the Orange river are in more or less open revolt, and that there is likely to be sharp fighting on a rather large scale before the Boer invasion is crushed.

An 11-year-old son of Valentine Lehr, residing near Hecker, Ill., became suddenly ill while in school on the 21st, and a few hours later showed every symptom of hydrophobia. He was bitten, nine months ago, by a dog.

Former Gov. Roger Wolcott, of Massachusetts, died in Boston, on the 21st, aged 53 years. He was a descendant of the Roger Wolcott who was second in command in the expedition of Sir William Peppercorn, against Cape Breton, in 1745.

Mrs. William P. Frye, wife of the president pro tem, of the senate, died suddenly at the Hamilton hotel, Washington, on the 21st. Mrs. Frye, a few days before her death, suffered an acute attack of indigestion which culminated in angina pectoris.

Smallpox is epidemic in the eastern half of the United States. In Greater New York there are not less than 4,000 cases, while between the Mississippi river and the Atlantic coast there are at least 25,000 cases.

It has just come to light that Jessie T. Beckwith, daughter of Robert T. Lincoln, of Chicago, is no longer the wife of Warren Beckwith, the former baseball player of Mount Pleasant, Ia. The sensational courtship, elopement and marriage ended in divorce by reason of non-support.

Brig.-Gen. George W. Davis, who commanded the department of Porto Rico up to the time of its discontinuance a few weeks ago, has been assigned to duty as inspector general of the division of the Philippines, on the staff of Gen. MacArthur.

At Thorndale, on the 19th, Gen. French routed 2,500 Boers, with four guns and a pom-pom. Thorndale is 16 miles northwest of Krugersdorp. The British had 14 wounded and the Boers fled in disorder, with about fifty killed.

A carriage containing two boys and two girls, brothers and sisters, was struck by a Wabash train at a country road crossing north of Gibson, Ill., on the morning of the 21st, and two of the occupants, a girl of 21 and a boy of 15, were instantly killed.

There is a boom in the anthracite coal trade in Pennsylvania, and the companies are unable to fill their orders as promptly as desired. The stock on hand is very light, and some of the companies are not able to lay up any coal for the reason that, as fast as it is mined, it is sent to points for delivery.

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The population of Berlin, including the suburbs, is 2,469,676, as compared with 2,076,946 in 1895.

Andrew Carnegie has agreed to donate a library building for Fort Dodge, Ia.

LATE NEWS ITEMS.

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Never in the history of the country or the world did Christmas mean so much for the indigent and unfortunate as it did this year. In most of the large and many of the small cities and towns of the United States the example set by the Salvation army of making Christmas merry for the masses was followed by the big-hearted and charitable, and tens of thousands of people for whom the day had formerly only served, by contrast, to emphasize their wretched condition, were enabled, on full stomachs, to thank God for the Christ and Christmas.

The prince of Oldenburg, president of the government temperance committee, at noon, on the 25th, declared the people's palace at St. Petersburg open to the public. After the inaugural ceremonies, the prince and 20 of the higher army officials, including the commanding generals, along with high officials, noblemen and ladies, dined side by side with peasants and the families of workmen.

A strike among the clerks of the registry division of the Chicago general post office, on the 25th, menaced, for a time, the prompt delivery of thousands of Christmas gifts. The trouble was quickly adjusted by the suspension of the leader of the strikers.

Lord Curzon of Kedleston, the viceroy of India, in the course of a speech at Calcutta, on the 25th, said that since the appearance of the bubonic plague, in 1898, 25,000 deaths from the disease have occurred in the Mysore state.

Gov. Pingree, on the 25th, issued a requisition on the governor of Cuba for Charles Jenner Thompson, who is wanted in Detroit for forgery. This is said to be the first requisition on Cuba ever issued.

Gov. Allen of Porto Rico celebrated the holiday season by extending executive clemency to 24 prisoners in Porto Rican jails. He pardoned 17 murderers and homicides and seven thieves.

At Great Falls, Mont., on the 25th, Jacob Werten shot and fatally wounded his son John. Werten had treated his wife badly, and the son interfered to protect the mother.

The trial of Cornelius Alvord, Jr., defaulting cashier of the First national bank of New York city, began on the 26th. The amount of his default was \$600,000.

MISSOURI STATE NEWS.

Recent Deaths.

Rev. Thomas N. Sanderson, a Baptist minister, of heart trouble, at his home in Egglewood, near Bowling Green, aged 82. He was born in Virginia, had been sixty years in the ministry, and was a resident of Pike county since 1870. He was twice married, and the father of 13 children.

Wm. Jones, aged 50, for many years superintendent of the Macon county infirmary, at his home near Blooming-ton.

George W. Nichols, aged 67, at Knob-noster, from a complication of diseases. He was a Union veteran.

James M. Butler, a prominent citizen of New London. The funeral was conducted by the Freemason.

Mr. W. N. Baxter, at his home in Louisiana, of Bright's disease, aged 79. He was the last member of one of the oldest pioneer families of Pike county. He was well known and highly respected, and leaves a wide circle of relatives and friends.

Henry Pitcher, a resident of St. Louis since 1838, at his home, 4234 Cleveland avenue, at the age of 87.

A Request From Ministers.

The Southern Methodist ministers of St. Louis recently adopted the following:

"Resolved, By the preachers' meeting of the St. Louis district of the Methodist Episcopal church, south, that we do hereby respectfully request Hon. A. M. Dockery, the incoming governor of Missouri, to appoint at an early day a new excise commissioner and a new board of police commissioners for the city of St. Louis who are in no wise allied with the liquor interest."

The resolution was adopted by a vote of sixteen to one, the minister who dissented saying that he did so because he had not sufficient information for such a resolution.

The Official Vote.

The secretary of state has completed the official count of the vote cast in Missouri last November. For president and governor it is as follows:

For President—McKinley, 314,092; Bryan, 351,922; Barker, 4,244; Woolley, 5,865; Debs, 6,128; Malloney, 1,294. Total, 683,645; Bryan's plurality, 37,830; Bryan's majority, 20,199.

For Governor—Flory, 317,905; Dockery, 350,045; Hillis, 4,356; Stokes, 5,195; Lipscomb, 5,577; Fry, 1,213; scattering, 3. Total, 684,294; Dockery's plurality, 32,140; Dockery's majority, 15,785.

Died at a Grave.

While attending the services of un-reeling the monument over the grave of E. E. Garrett, a brother Woodman of the World, at Windsor, Henry county, C. Hutchinson, of Clinton, fell dead of heart failure. He was the oldest man and the oldest member of the Clinton lodge, and the first one to die in that lodge. He leaves a wife and five children.

A Successful Revival.

The revival services which had been in progress for the last five weeks at the M. E. church at Kingston closed the other night. It is believed to have been the greatest revival ever held in Caldwell county, there being over 100 conversions, which include many prominent business and professional men.

Left Many Descendants.

Michael Scheible, aged 92, died at the residence of his daughter, Mrs. Louise Gunther, 1516 Menard street, St. Louis. The deceased leaves 4 children, 40 grandchildren, 49 great-grandchildren and 4 great great grandchildren, 97 direct descendants, all of whom are living in St. Louis.

To Teach Newsboys.

Says a Kansas City item: Prof. H. A. Franzmuth has announced that, commencing with January 9, and regularly each Monday thereafter, he will "devote his full time and attention to teaching newsboys free the art of dancing, deportment and etiquette."

Object to the Pesthouse.

The Wallace family at Kansas City has sued out a restraining order to prevent the city authorities from erecting a smallpox hospital on land adjoining that owned by them. The city owns five acres near the Wallace property.

Pardoned by Gov. Stephens.

Gov. Stephens has granted a pardon to Louis Wilson, whose real name is W. C. McIndee, convicted at the October term, 1893, of the Barry county circuit court, for larceny, and sentenced to four years.

He Left.

A mob of about twenty men broke into the jail, at Salem, and took out John McCumbers and gave him a whipping, then ordered him to leave Salem at once, which he did.

Two Proposed Bridges.

House committee on rivers and harbors will report on two proposed bridges across the Mississippi, one at Cape Girardeau, the other at Gray's Point.

On an Old Murder Charge.

Geo. Haggerty, a paroled prisoner of the Chester (Ill.) penitentiary, is locked up at St. Louis on a charge of killing a St. Louis policeman 20 years ago.

Rural Free Delivery.

Rural free delivery will be established at Trenton, Grundy county, with three carriers; length of routes, 73½ miles; population served, 1,830.

Irvin J. Sims Found Dead in Bed.

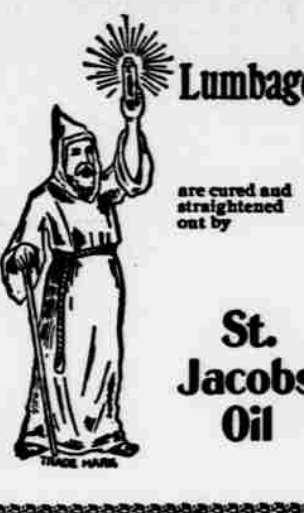
Irvin J. Sims, a rich Audrain county farmer, was found dead in bed at his residence, five miles west of Mexico, heart failure the supposed cause.

By the Carbolic Acid Route.

Christopher Jennings, 37 years old, a brewery worker, committed suicide at his home in St. Louis by swallowing a quantity of carbolic acid.

UPRIGHT

Straight and strong is the statue when the twists and curvatures of



KNOW ALL ABOUT GENIUS.

A Poet's Wife Describes It and Shows She Is Thoroughly Posted.

"I have just finished a sonnet," said the poet, according to the Atlanta Constitution, "that'll buy a beefsteak and a sack of flour!"

"And here is an ode for the state fair," "How fortunate! I am 15 cents a pound, and we haven't had any in six weeks!"

"I have also written a love song which is as tender as an April rose." "What a dear, sweet soul you are! I'm sure you'd go for a can of lard and a gallon of molasses!"

"Woman!" said the poet, sternly, "do you know what genius is?" "Yes," she said, thoughtfully. "Some-times it's telling the butcher to call again, shutting the door on the baker, hidin' from the house rent man, and singing, when Sunday comes, 'I would not live always; I ask not to stay!'"

Her Pointed View.

Chappie (blase)—Don't you think society is an empty thing? Miss Fuller—I think there are lots of empty things in society.—Cincinnati Enquirer.

Try Grain-O! Try Grain-O!

Ask your grocer to-day to show you a package of GRAIN-O, the new food drink that takes the place of coffee. The children may drink it without injury as well as the adult. All who try it, like it. GRAIN-O has that rich seal brown of Mocha or Java, but it is made from pure grains, and the most delicate stomach receives it without distress. 3¢ the package of coffee, 15c. and 25c. per package. Sold by all grocers.

Too Refined.

"No," said Farmer Meddlergrass, "that Boston feller that come here to run the paper doesn't seem to get along very well. Our folks ain't much for style, an' when he referred to a skin game as 'an epidemic pastime' they thought he was becomin' a little too highfalutin'."—Baltimore American.

Unable to Pronounce It.

The neighbors of a certain well-known Memphis Irish family say that the good housewife and her lord never know what domestic discord is except when the old man goes home slightly in his cups. Then there is trouble, and plenty of it, for the old lady is fire and tow and she says she has consistently tried for a score of years to get "Moike to quit it." The storms, according to the story, have grown less violent of late years, and for that matter the tipsy periods of "Moike" are not of such frequent recurrence as formerly. Not long ago, so the story goes, the old man went home pretty well tanked, and his wife met him.

"Yu," she said, "ye're a-comin' home agin, an' t'hat drunk. My, my, O, my, Moike, an' why is it ye won't call fur sarsaparilla whin ye get enuf?" "Bekase," replied Mike, "whin Oi gits enuf Oi can't say 'sars-as-aprill,' an' now ye hav it."—Memphis Scimitar.

From Bryan's Own City. Comes a Startling Story. An Open Letter that will Cause a Sensation.

Lincoln, Neb., Dec. 24, 1900 (Special).—At No. 2115 O Street, this city, is the B. & M. Wall Paper House. "B. & M." are the initials of the proprietors, Mr. A. C. Bonsor, and Mr. O. E. Myers.

The senior partner, Mr. Bonsor, is a well known and highly respected citizen, and no one has ever doubted his truthfulness. It is, therefore, the pronounced opinion in Lincoln and the State generally, that the significant and very strong statements made in Mr. Bonsor's letter will go unchallenged. After explaining his willingness that the matter be given the fullest possible publicity in the public interest, Mr. Bonsor proceeds:

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